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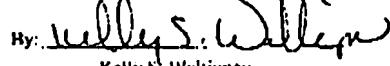
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2007, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A complete listing of the Claims, to including a proposed amendment to claim 1, begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow on page 4.

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